

# The British-Israel-World Federation NEWSLETTER

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## Our Focus for 2019 by the President

**‘This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvellous in our eyes’**

**A**s we approach 29 March, 2019, when Britain is due to leave the European Union, the strains upon The Queen’s Administration of *her Government* are reaching a critical stage. The prophetic evaluation of this process equates very precisely to that of the Hebrew nation leaving Egypt at the Exodus. The doubt being peddled by the Remainers, or ‘Remoaners,’ is exactly in the pattern of those Israelites who coming up against the Red Sea and looking back to see the Egyptians coming after them, railed against Moses saying that it would be better for them to continue serving the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.

If only this evaluation was being delivered by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the prelates in general at this time. The call by a very well funded campaign, coming from *foreign sources*, for a second referendum, or a ‘People’s Vote,’ as they call it, would be silenced – the People’s Vote of course took place on 23 June 2016. The fear factor is being constantly raised by the same voices that gave vent to the negative speculation before the Referendum which was proven groundless – only now the speculation is greater as the crunch time arrives.

The true spiritual dimension in this great national story remains completely veiled from those who should be acting as shepherds of the national flock. Much emphasis has been placed on the Brexit negotiations being ‘a **divorce**’ agreement with the EU. Constitutionally, for this to be a divorce process there has of necessity to have been a lawful marriage in the first instance. In fact what developed since 1972 was not a marriage with the *then* EEC but an unconstitutional liaison. This ‘marriage’ with alien powers did not comply with our national covenants under the **Coronation Oath** 1953 (Act) and the many great statutes of the Realm, *as none of them were repealed*, causing ever-increasing conflict on the Statute Book, particularly since 1992 in respect of the political union under the Maastricht Treaty.

In all reality over the past 46 years Britain has been in a state of national unfaithfulness to its lawful husband – ‘**the Queen-in-Parliament under God.**’ Thus, what is happening in the Brexit negotiations is not a divorce, but the annulment of a state of **national adultery** and the return of the nation to our lawful marital state under the British Constitution.

Before the 2016 EU Referendum the United Kingdom government sent every household a leaflet about the EU referendum costing some £9 million plus of our money. It made clear the government strongly recommended staying in the EU and warned that we could not stay part of the single market whilst leaving the EU. The leaflet had as its headline “**A once in a generation decision.**” There was no mention of two votes or a second chance to decide. It said about the decision to stay or leave “**This is your decision. The government will implement what you decide.**”

It comes now to us in BIWF, significantly entering our Centenary Year, to raise our voice in witness to this amazing *prophetic* parallel. Let us continue to pray that ‘God [will] Save The Queen’ and her heirs to preserve this, our British-Israel. We would remind you again that the 1662 *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP) Lessons for 5 Dec include the entire chapter of *Isaiah* 28 where the “**covenant with death**” under the **Treaty of Rome** entered into by Parliament on 28 Oct, 1971, is “*disannulled*,” or abolished completely.

Remembering that the Lesson for Morning Prayer on 28 Oct, 1971, **the day of betrayal of ‘The Queen-in-Parliament under God,’** in the 1662 BCP was *Isaiah* 28: 9-16 where those making a “covenant with death” are described as being “at agreement with hell.”

No one is challenging the Remainers as to what they think on what terms Britain would be able to negotiate to remain in the EU. What amount of European **Civil Law** would further negate our freedoms under English **Common Law**? Would we join in creating a euro army and in the future be made to join the (collapsing) euro monetary system? Interestingly, the date 11 Feb 2019 marks 90 years (judgment) from the Papal Italian Lateran Treaty of 11 Feb 1929, just as Italy is in mounting financial contention with the European Central Bank over its internal budget.

There is an extremely important treason act in our constitution. The 1353 Statute of Praemunire made it unlawful for legal cases that could be heard in English courts to be decided elsewhere. The Pope had been able to summon someone to stand trial in Rome on various matters and thereby to frustrate the administration of justice in England. This statute meant that any matter that could be heard in an English court would be heard there. The 1365 Statute confirmed that of 1353.

The 1393 Statute of Praemunire strengthened the earlier statute by imposing tougher sentences. It also sought to circumvent the craftiness of Rome in getting around the original laws by threats of excommunication and other such tactics.

These Statutes were repealed in their entirety by the 1967 *Criminal Law Act*, which, quite evidently, was in preparation for the craftiness, treason and long-term treachery through subterfuge and deception

of embroiling the United Kingdom in the great European Project – a process that was first initiated by our application to join the EEC on 1 Aug 1961. Thanks to President Charles de Gaulle’s intervention, that membership bid failed. Later on 15 Jan, 1963, de Gaulle laid down impossible conditions for British entry to the EEC.

Then in May 1967 the UK made a second application for Britain to join the EEC under Labour Prime Minister Harold Wilson. On 27 Nov 1967 de Gaulle again said ‘non’ to Britain. But we can see how the repeal of the 1353 Statute of Praemunire in July of 1967 **was timed to prevent constitutional action getting in the way of this application.** The repeal sequence went as follows:

*Criminal Law Act* 1967, England & Wales and Scotland; Royal Assent 21 July, 1967

*Criminal Justice Act* 1968 (Miscellaneous Provisions) Northern Ireland – later

*Status Law Revision Act* 1983, Republic of Ireland.

On 2 Oct, 2018, at the Conservative Party conference in Birmingham, former Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson, suggested that the government might be in breach of the 1353 (repealed) law in regard to its proposed departure settlement with the European Union, when he said:

*“And it occurs to me that the authors of the Chequers proposal risk prosecution under the 14th century Statute of Praemunire, which says that no foreign court or government shall have jurisdiction in this country.”*

The Press immediately jumped on Boris to point out to say that the statute was repealed in 1967, without of course quoting the context for the urgent move for repeal of this highly important statute, this being, as we have said, that Britain in the

Summer of 1967 was in the middle of our second application to join the EEC.

The United Kingdom made a “**covenant with death**” on 28 Oct, 1971 (1662 *Book of Common Prayer* Lesson for 28 Oct is *Isaiah* 28:9-16), by a ‘decision in principle’ to join the *then* EEC, which by stealth and deception became the **political** EU at Maastricht in 1992.

On 8 Sep, 2018, in the *Mail on Sunday*, the former Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson attacked Theresa May’s Chequers proposal, saying she had “wrapped a suicide vest” around the British constitution and “handed the detonator” to Brussels. His choice of words was heavily criticized. In point of fact, the truth is the explosive was wrapped around the constitution by Prime Minister Edward Heath in 1972, the detonator being handed to Brussels on 7 Feb, 1992, when the political Treaty of Maastricht was signed in the Netherlands under Prime Minister John Major. Margaret Thatcher, who actively opposed the Maastricht Treaty, declared in a speech in the House of Lords that she “could never have signed that Treaty.”

In overruling Providence, on 23 June, 2016, at the *second* European Referendum (the first one taking place on 5 June, 1975) the detonator was disconnected by the British Electorate. If now the detonator was to be reconnected, in a *third* Referendum, reversing the decision of 17.4 million people, Britain would be committed to return to bondage in the *prophetic* EU-Egypt under a growing federal dictatorship; committed to *we know not what* as the entanglement of more years of unconstitutional alien Roman **Civil Law** government would intensify.

In the end, with all the integration, future generations would literally have to fight their way out to regain

Britain's sovereign independence under English **Common Law** upheld by Commonwealth countries. This warning was given originally by the then Labour MP Margaret Beckett in the 1970s, before New Labour and the Trade Union elite switched completely to supporting Britain's EU membership – that is, until Jeremy Corbyn became the Labour Party leader!

The very fact that it has taken some 11,000 civil servants over two years to untangle very many thousands of Directives and Regulations proves how mistaken was the original decision of our false shepherds to join the *supranational* Project Europe. The “**covenant with death**” is at last to be “**disannulled**” (*Isaiah* 28:18) at 11.00 pm (midnight European time) on 29 March, 2019.

It was only in June 2017, when Theresa May lost her majority, becoming reliant on the DUP and Leo Varadkar replaced Enda Kenny as Taoiseach, that the Irish border hit the headlines. Varadkar made an issue of the Irish border and Brussels then saw an opportunity to raise the political stakes by asserting the ‘impossibility’ of avoiding a ‘hard border’ unless Britain stayed in the customs union. That prevents the UK signing trade deals with the rest of the world, of course, while compelling us to keep sending Brussels billions of pounds each year under the EU's common external tariff.

It was extremely sad that Matthew Parris, a Remainer and atheist, should have dismissed reference to the ‘merchants of Tarshish’ in the Bible as not being linked to the British in his *Times* My Week column of 10 Oct, 2018. Under the headline “This biblical prophecy is another Brexit lie,” Parris revealed a total ignorance of history and our biblical heritage. There is so much historical evidence to confirm that our ancestors, such

as the Tuatha de Danann, of the Israelite tribe of Dan, were trading across the ocean – for “why did Dan remain in ships” *Judges* 5:17 – in the Mediterranean region and beyond after 1200 BC, coming to *Northern* Ireland in particular.

Parris, with ridicule, described an elderly man drawing attention to himself (dressed as a leprechaun), outside the Conservative Party Conference in Birmingham. He was holding a big home-made placard: “The British are called the merchants of Tarshish in the Bible – *Ezekiel* 38:13,” it read: “Brexit is the fulfilment of Biblical Prophecy.” Parris after his unkind description of this brave gentleman said he checked the Bible saying, “There's nothing in *Ezekiel* about the British at all, let alone Brexit. Another Leaver lie.”

If writing less arrogantly, Parris might consider that Dan has the meaning of “judge,” which is what the ten DUP MPs are doing right now in their role of making sure that the United Kingdom is not divided up in the negotiations with the EU for Brexit. Indeed, this is not another Leaver lie as Parris asserts, but rather a crucial act of political judgment.

In chronological terms it is revealing to note that there are two periods of 31 years – *Deity doubled* – from when the Treaty of Rome was signed on 25 March 1957 to 25 March 2019, just five days, the number of *deliverance*, before the United Kingdom is due to leave the EU on 29 March 2019. Most significantly, the mid-year of this cycle was 1988 when Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher made her Bruges speech on 20-21 September, 1988. This was the speech which turned the whole tide of further UK political integration into the political EU.

Thus do we see that the long saga of Britain's EU journey has been about

the dismantlement and submission of our Protestant constitution by the politico-religious Babylonish pagan systems of Rome. Thankfully this is now coming to a final and historic end and it is time that the Protestant Church in our country woke up to this deliverance, which is every bit as significant as the Reformation itself. Actually, it is even more significant than the events of the 16<sup>th</sup> century in that 2018 marked **1,260** years – the limit of papal authority – from AD 758 when the papacy became a temporal power under Pope Paul I, as foreseen by Rev Robert Fleming in his *Rise and Fall of Rome Papal* published in 1701, no less.

Fascinatingly, the pulled first vote in the House of Commons on the ‘Withdrawal Agreement’ was to take place on 11 Dec 2018, which was noteworthy it being the anniversary of the Deliverance of Jerusalem by British Forces under the command of General Allenby on 11 Dec 1917.

If we get into uncharted constitutional waters in the weeks and months ahead, let us be assured that Divine overruling is most assuredly operating in our favour to bring the nation through the *prophetic* Red Sea and on to dry ground. What will happen to the negative ‘always wrong brigade’ we cannot tell, but the analogy of finishing at the bottom of the *prophetic* Red Sea should make them and us tremble.

The need at this moment is for the nation to hear the words: “Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD which he will show to you today” (*Exodus* 14:13). Also, let us be under no doubt whatsoever that in the words of *Psalms* 118:23 – quoted by Elizabeth I when she heard of her accession, following her near execution and the persecutions of the nation under Rome by Mary I, “**This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.**”



# 'CORONATION DAY' RALLY

## 65th ANNIVERSARY

This significant anniversary was marked by a very enjoyable rally at Headquarters on Saturday, 2 June 2018. David Aimer welcomed the friends both old and new who had come from far and wide to share in the celebration. He handed over to Michael Clark who spoke on 'The Kingdom in our Midst and the Significance of the Crown.' He began by referring to *Matthew* 25:1-13 which is the parable of the ten virgins. It is very important to be aware that the 'oil' in this parable is **not** the Holy Spirit because the foolish virgins are instructed to go and buy more oil. It is impossible to buy the Holy Spirit. They need the 'oil of understanding' which comes from prayer and study of the Scriptures.

After a buffet lunch and time for discussion and fellowship Martin Lightfoot gave his presentation of 'Jacob's Dream and the Coronation Stone.' He looked in depth at the evidence behind the stories which link this Stone to our monarchy. He had visited Devenish Island in Ulster where the story is told to the tourists that Jeremiah is buried on the island. He showed pictures

of Scone Palace from where it was taken by Edward I in 1296. He was able to explain the apparent discrepancies in the old manuscripts about the appearance of the Stone and has made a model of what it could have been like in those days.

There has always been a question about how a sandstone block could have been found in an area of limestone but again Martin drew attention to *Joshua* 12:16 which indicates that Bethel was under the Canaanite kings who would have brought in stone to build their palaces. It was a very interesting study which provided many answers.



Thanksgiving Prayers were led by David Aimer who opened with reading *Psalms* 95 which is very familiar to those who know the *Book of Common Prayer* because it is part of the service of Matins which used to be used every Sunday morning throughout the Church of England. There was time for open prayer for everyone to join in as they wished. The National Anthem was sung with enthusiasm at the close of this time.

More refreshments followed and then there was a quiz on '65 Glorious Years' which was prepared and conducted by Philippa Clark. 12 questions ranging over the reign of Her Majesty tested both the attention of the audience to the earlier sessions where some of the answers were provided and their knowledge of her life. The winner was Enid Tebbutt who received a copy of the official book on the Crown Jewels as her prize.

Michael Clark closed the rally with thanks to everyone for coming and to the staff who had worked to prepare the room and all that was needed. He read the Israel Blessing from *Numbers* 6.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Queen Victoria was once presented with a drum of Cheddar that weighed 558 kg, made from the milk of over 700 cows.

In 1826 John Walker, a Stockton-based chemist, discovered the combination of chemicals which were used in the first friction matches.

# MORECAMBE RALLY

For the first time the Rally was held at the Auckland Hotel, Morecambe. This venue was very comfortable; the conference room was adequate for our needs and the hotel staff catered excellently for our requirements despite the staff problems caused by the illness of Nigel, the manager, and the death of Jason one of the owners of the hotel who had died this year.

The Rally was opened by Alfred Brown of the Carlisle Branch. We were very pleased that he could open the event this year because he was due to open it in 2017 but unable to do so because of illness. He has now fully recovered. His lecture was "A search for truth" highlighting the use of political correctness in the dissemination of information and news which so often results in truth being abandoned for political expediency. He quoted the prophecies of both Isaiah and Jeremiah.

Pastor Norman Pearson concluded the evening with an Epilogue "Back to the Cross."

Saturday Morning began with the North-West Area Meeting which Pastor David Aimer opened with prayer. Various items were discussed relating to the North-West Area. Pastor Aimer outlined various federation events which were happening during 2018 and then closed the meeting with prayer.

The first lecture on Saturday morning was given by David McLure from Scotland. The title of his lecture was the "New Jerusalem." Referring to December 2017 when the Centenary of the Deliverance of Jerusalem in the Middle East was commemorated, he quoted from the book of *Revelation* chapter 21. Saturday afternoon commenced with a lecture from Nelson McCausland of Northern Ireland who spoke on "The Watchman" quoting *Ezekiel* 3:1-17. Mr. McCausland stepped into the breach with this lecture which should have been taken by Frank Tebbutt who was unable to attend the rally due to unforeseen circumstances. The second lecture of the afternoon was given by Martin Lightfoot our field officer. His title was "The Lost Tribes of Israel." Jewish scholars have never doubted the existence of the lost tribes of Israel. They, rather than the Church, are our best allies.

The evening lecture was given by Clifford Smyth. He spoke on the "Prophecies of Moses" referring to *Luke* 16; *Numbers* 23; *Ezekiel* 34; *Exodus* 17; *Isaiah* 9 and *Deuteronomy* 24. Margery Dowling followed with an Epilogue on Ezekiel "who was a priest and the voice of God in Babylon." Anne Smyth gave a musical recital at the end of the evening which was much enjoyed by all present.

Sunday morning began with a

service of Holy Communion led by Pastor David Aimer. Bishop John who normally takes the Service was unwell and neither he nor his wife Betty were able to attend the rally. In the afternoon the first lecture was again given by Nelson McCausland of Northern Ireland. He spoke on *Jeremiah* 15. The second lecture was given by Pastor David Aimer on "The place of Israel's Restoration." It was a Bible Study taken from the book by J. Llewellyn Thomas. This was followed by a 10 minute YouTube clip showing the European World every year from 400 BC to today. It proved the promise was true that Israel was to go into a new land or islands in the North-West and move no more. They would be safe from conquest and the clip proved that.

The evening service was one of hymns of praise and Bible readings. The service closed with the Israel Blessing. Everyone enjoyed the Rally and were looking forward to next year when it will be 100 years since the forming of the Federation. Since our Rally we have been saddened to learn of the passing of one of our most frequent visitors to the Rally Mr Michael Jarvis. He attended every year except this year when he was unable to come due to ill health. He loved to come to the rally and thoroughly enjoyed it. (Obituary page 12).

**Margery Dowling, Chairman,  
North-West Area**

# SUMMER CONVENTION

The theme of the Summer Convention this year, *The Proclamation of Hope at our Coming Freedom*, was chosen with the fast approaching date of the United Kingdom's exit from the European Union in mind. It is an event keenly anticipated by all BI believers and supporters. The Welcome Meeting on Monday evening began the Convention as usual with Michael Clark, President, and David Aimer, General Secretary, taking the platform and opening the event with news and greetings and all the information needed about the programme for the week.

Each day began with a time of prayer in the side room with David Aimer before the Morning Devotions which were given by Ken Brack, Philippa Clark, David Keep and Norman Pearson. The musical accompaniment was by Janice Raby and all the lectures were filmed and are now available as DVDs on request to Headquarters.

The first morning Michael Clark set the tone with his keynote address taking *Psalms* 2 as his text and verse 4 in particular: "*Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.*" There is indeed hope with the promise and expectation of our freedom even if there is likely to be further struggles ahead.

The Annual Meeting was conducted by him and David Aimer who presented the Accounts of BIWF, CPC, and Eli Press which were all approved and passed. It was announced that Margery Dowling

and Alfred Brown were re-elected unopposed to the Board of Management. Mr. Clark read out the Loyal Greetings to Her Majesty the Queen which had been sent by the Board. A package of information was also sent. A reply had yet to be received.

In the afternoon Alfred Brown spoke on the history of Jerusalem, 'A Cup of Trembling.' He connected it to London the new Jerusalem and concluded with a strong proclamation of hope quoting "*no weapon formed against thee shall prosper*" (*Isaiah* 54:17). The late afternoon lecture by David McLure was another powerful message on the theme. His message to the political establishment from *II Chronicles* 13:12: "*. . . O children of Israel, fight ye not against the Lord God of your fathers*" should remind them that their fight is futile because "*God Himself is with us for*

*our captain.*" Our part as watchmen is to keep working, praying, and speaking.

After dinner Clifford Smyth took up the thought 'What Judah has said – why are so few listening?' This was a very interesting reminder that the Jews have been and still are actively seeking to find the lost ten tribes. Only 2-3 years ago there was an exhibition in Jerusalem about all the efforts to find them. The major problem today is that the Bible has been so attacked and trashed by the world that it is very difficult to speak from it to people.

The first session the next day was given by Paul Boyd-Lee with the intriguing title 'Now but not Yet' which he went on to explain. It was a catchphrase from his student days and he related it to the answer of Our Lord at His ascension to the question of the disciples about the restoration of the Kingdom. After a wide ranging lecture he ended with reasons for hope today: from the Scriptures in *Jeremiah* 31:31 and *Hebrews* 8:8 as well as the change for the better in the under 22s in society.

After coffee Robert Phillips spoke to the theme by pointing out that the United Kingdom has been God's 'Trojan Horse' in Europe to not only be delivered ourselves but also to be an agent of deliverance for the other Israel nations on the continent. He emphasized God's plan for His people and how there is a 'tarrying' time as well as a time when He intervenes in their affairs.







Inside Eyam Church

He joined with Paul Boyd-Lee in saying we must reclaim the rainbow as God's covenant sign and gave an interesting interpretation of it. He closed his session with a song at the piano.

Brenton Boshoff, from South Africa, spoke on 'A New Hope' in his afternoon lecture. He gave some new thoughts on the three unclean spirits from *Revelation* 16:12-14. Having identified them as Judaism, Islam and the False Church he went on to bring the hope of a spiritual rebirth for the nation, referring to *Jeremiah* 24:4-7.

In the evening David Aimer introduced another simple way of presenting the BI teaching. Using the word 'COMMAND' he demonstrated how four pillars, like the four legs of a table, support the whole teaching: 'Captivities;' 'Migrations;' 'Marks of Israel;' 'David's line' – **COMMAND**. He distributed a prompt sheet to help in remembering the relevant scriptures in the future.

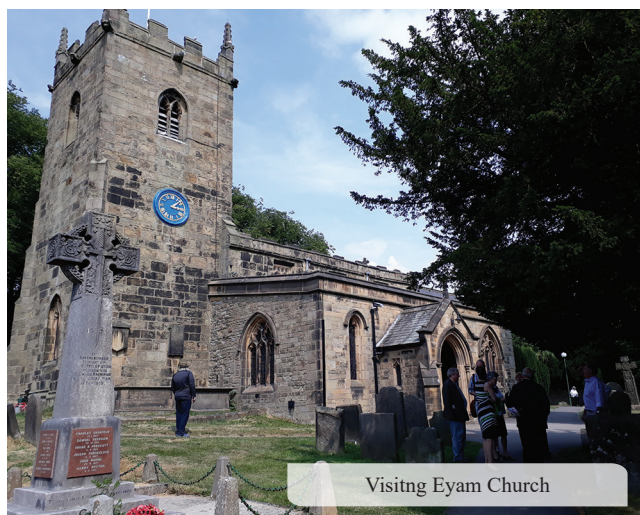
In the second lecture by David McLure there was a strong message on the spiritual bondage of the nation in the European Union and how this was planned over a very long period. The people need to understand this important

aspect of our national life. His final comforting scripture was *Hosea* 6:1: "*Come, and let us return unto the Lord.*" After coffee Edward Spalton, of Campaign for an Independent Britain, made a welcome return and explained many of the technicalities of the current situation. There was a lively question and answer time at the end.

In the afternoon Clifford Smyth gave his second lecture on 'The Anointing' and its importance in the Coronation Service and in BI teaching. It was very moving to hear the anthem 'Zadok the priest' played in full and to be reminded so powerfully of the scriptures on which our monarchy is based. The Presidential Address by Michael Clark in the evening with the title 'As Birds Flying' began with his favourite hymn 'God is working His purpose out' as usual. It was a very

encouraging address leaving no doubt that God is in control and our hope is on the best foundations. The evening closed with The Singers who entertained the meeting with hymns and songs finishing with everyone joining in 'Land of hope and glory' with flags to wave.

A new speaker David Hay, from New Zealand, gave a very interesting lecture 'The Incoming Government' for the first lecture on the final morning. It was a very detailed slide presentation of what could be expected as understood from the evidence given in scripture. He was followed by Martin Lightfoot who called his presentation 'Israel Incognito' and brought together the information which is needed to identify who the Israel people are today. The Covenant Service led by David Aimer completed the week which had been a wonderful time of fellowship and friendship. Michael Clark closed the Convention with thanks to all who had taken part and read the Israel Blessing from *Numbers* 6:22-27.



Visiting Eyam Church

# CHRISTIAN CIVILISATION

The history of colonial development and rule in Southern Africa by the covenant peoples of Europe after the sixteenth century cannot be truly understood except in the context of the prophesied expansion, or spreading abroad (*Genesis 28:14*), of the Hebraic tribes emerging from their 2,520 years or 'Seven Times' period of chastisement – the very word 'Hebrew' having the meaning of 'coloniser.'

During the century from 1770 to 1870 the Southern African region became more fully integrated into the economy of the developing covenant nations. As the *Encyclopædia Britannica* gives:

"Trekboers, who were weakly controlled by the Dutch East India Company, advanced across the semi-desert Karoo of the central Cape and collided with African agricultural peoples along a line running from the lower Vaal and middle Orange river valleys to the sea around the Gamtoos River (west of modern Port Elizabeth). These agriculture-based African societies proved resilient but, even at their height in the 1860s, were unable to unite completely enough to expel the Europeans."

"The decisive moment for the colony occurred in 1806 when Britain seized Cape Colony during the Napoleonic Wars. Initially the colony's importance was related to its function as a strategic base to protect Britain's developing empire in India. In the

next few years, however, it also served as a market, a source of raw materials, and an outlet for emigration from Britain."

In prophetic terms the nineteenth century in Africa was particularly a time of exciting European exploration of unquestionably dedicated missionary labour as well as of colonial settlement. That the lines between these things were never clear is significant in itself in that it was a fulfilment of what the Israel of God were to do in their spreading abroad to develop the wilderness lands of the earth. At the same time they took modern medicine, civilization and the Christian Gospel of *the Kingdom of God upon earth*. In this role, the British Empire became the first non-totalitarian empire in history.

It was the descendants of the Israel tribes in Europe that performed this role. No other people had the pioneering spirit and capability to spread abroad to Africa and the New World. They were fulfilling their calling and the Creator of Israel gave them the ability and strength to accomplish this task.

The development of Rhodesia is an example. The new home of the settlers was named after Cecil Rhodes the founder and managing director of the British South Africa Company which established itself in that part of the continent. Pictures from the late 1890s and early 1900s show farms, mines and railways being constructed in the Southern African nation when it became

known as Rhodesia officially in 1895.

David Livingstone is one of the most famous missionary explorers of the time discovering the Victoria Falls in 1855 in the course of his travels. The London Missionary Society with which he was connected; the Wesleyan Missionary Society; the South Africa General Mission; the African Methodist Episcopal church in America; these are just some of the organisations which sent missionaries there. Mission stations were widely established and education and medical care provided.

The links with the Crown and the Empire were so strong that Rhodesians were among the first to volunteer for service during the First World War. Many thousands more served during the Second World War. They also served in other conflicts such as the Malayan Emergency and the Korean War. For more information see the pamphlet, *Lest We Forget*, published by the Rhodesian Christian Group.

But an Age-end 'wind of change' developed in the 1960s leading to contention between the white settlers in Rhodesia and Britain over black majority rule and to the Unilateral Declaration of Independence (UDI) under the leadership of Ian Smith on 11 November 1965. Bitter and cruel warfare ensued in which 27,000 people were killed and 150,000 displaced. Rhodesia in 1965 was home to just over 200,000 whites and four million blacks and



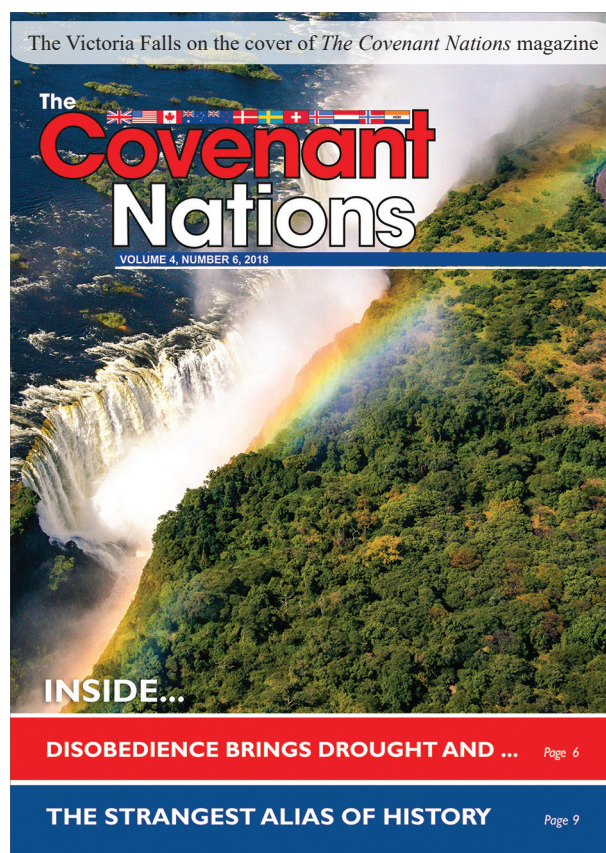
# IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

was the breadbasket of Africa but subsequent events following black majority rule have impoverished and destroyed the country.

Regrettably in the centenary year of the signing of the Armistice in November 1918 representatives of the Rhodesian servicemen were prevented from laying a wreath at the Cenotaph in London during the main memorial service on 11 November 2018. There was a campaign to reverse this decision in a spirit of reconciliation but it was not successful. Successive British governments have vetoed them from being part of the official service; the decision was taken after UDI. Subsequently Zimbabwe was suspended and then withdrew from the Commonwealth. Now with the latest change of government it has applied to rejoin. Perhaps there will be full participation from these faithful veterans at the memorial service in the near future.

There is evidence that Ian Smith was well aware of our Israel identity, as many of the white settlers of Rhodesia were – indeed since 1980 three of our General Secretaries have come from Rhodesia, one of whom was in Ian Smith's

Cabinet during UDI. "The mantle of the pioneers has fallen on our shoulders," he said. David Aimer, the current General Secretary, has written movingly of his personal journey of faith in *The Covenant Nations* Volume 4 Number 7.



Events in South Africa have followed a similar pattern to those in Rhodesia. Thousands of white farmers have been murdered or driven from their lands in both countries by armed black gangs. The pretext is the return of the land to the native people for their use but the reality is famine and disaster because the land is no longer maintained and farmed. There is a way back from all this chaos after the negation of responsibility by the covenant peoples in Southern Africa. It is the restoration of the Divine Plan for the Israel of God, this to resume their calling of bringing blessing to all the families of the earth (*Genesis* 12:3).

## DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Centenary Summer Convention  
22 - 27 July 2019

# 99<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

After 25 years the Annual Congress returned to Chester to the stately Queen Hallmark Hotel which is situated directly opposite the railway station. The theme of 'The Message for the Appointed Hour' was introduced by Michael Clark at the evening Welcome Session with which he and David Aimer opened the weekend. Greetings from friends around the BI world were read out including Brenton Boshoff in South Africa and the Beerepoot family in Tasmania who came to the Summer Convention this year. Michael Clark developed the theme of the Congress in his lecture which followed. He drew attention to the covenant of salt (II *Chronicles* 13:5) and finished with the exhortation to 'pray, pray, and keep on praying.'

Norman Pearson spoke after breakfast on 'The Fulness of Time' referring to *Galatians* 4:4 and *Hebrews* 1:3. Despite the wicked perverted state of the nation now the Lord has promised to return to His people Israel and that hope is there for us. The second lecture of the morning was 'The Master Chef' which was the interesting title chosen by Alfred Brown to illustrate that God's Plan is like a complicated recipe with 'Man' as the principal ingredient. He took the first few verses of *Ecclesiastes* 3 as his text, complementing the previous lecture's focus on God's timing. It is important to be watchful and alert these days as God brings everything to completion.



Mosaic inside Chester Cathedral

In the afternoon there was a visit led by Martin Lightfoot to the Archaeological Museum looking at the early evidence of Christianity in the city and then to St. John's Church which is the oldest parish church in the Chester. He spoke in the evening on 'Israel Incognito – Pre-Roman Etruscans' in which he pointed out the connections between the Hebrews and the Etruscans; *Proverbs* 25:2 was his key verse.

Morning Worship on Sunday was led by David Aimer and the sermon was given by the Rt. Rev. Edwin Wagner who is a new member and BI believer. He gave his testimony

as a Christian minister and read from the Collect for the 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity from the *Book of Common Prayer* which encourages us to 'cheerfully accomplish' the tasks given us by God. He finished with *Ephesians* 6:10-18, 'the whole armour of God.'

Chester Cathedral was the destination for the afternoon visit organized by Martin Lightfoot. One particularly interesting feature was the series of huge detailed mosaics of biblical events which were installed in the Victorian period. The cloisters have beautiful windows of the saints connected with the cathedral and the surrounding area. Some people stayed on to attend choral evensong there.

David Aimer was the evening speaker and his title 'Hope and Vision' expressed the positive message which he wished to leave with everyone. He had a comprehensive list of scriptures from the Old Testament to the New which cover the history of Israel and God's dealings with His people. Even though He divorced Israel for their sins and transgressions He immediately made provision for their restoration because of His love for them.

Michael Clark thanked all for coming and for their contributions to the success of the weekend. The National Anthem was sung and he closed Congress with the Israel Blessing from *Numbers* 6:22-27.



L to R: David Aimer, Edwin Wagner, Maria Wagner, Michael Clark



# NATIONAL BIBLE COLLEGE EVENTS

The first event of the year was a visit on Saturday 28 April when Martin Lightfoot led a group of 14 around the significant artefacts which demonstrate the truth of 'The Bible as History' and which are on display in the British Museum for all to see. Beginning with the tablets in the 'oldest library in the world' the group was taken on a journey in time and place seeing for themselves the wealth of evidence of the travels of the tribes and of the establishment of Christianity in these islands from the very earliest times. An enjoyable time of fellowship over tea and cakes completed this very interesting afternoon.

The visit to view the Anglo-Saxon 'Staffordshire Hoard' in the Birmingham Museum had to be postponed due to the family arrangements of Michael Clark who was going to lead the group. However it is planned that this tour will take place in October 2019.

On Saturday 27 October a group of us met at the Tower of London where David Aimer was ready to lead a guided tour of the Crown

Jewels. It is not possible to stop and talk inside the exhibition so in the long queue to enter it he gave a very helpful and detailed explanation of what was on display outlining particularly the biblical significance of the many items on view. It is a 'must see' experience for all those aware of and interested in the British-Israel message.



Torcs in the British Museum



'Early Christian mosaic in BM



'Outside the Tower of London

## RALLIES

**Northern Ireland Meetings**  
Three Rallies were held at the usual venue of the Chimney Corner Hotel in May, September and November. At each rally David Aimer travelled over from Headquarters with a large load of books for the bookstall which is always very much appreciated by all those who attend the meetings. The attendance is usually about 40 people who though from different churches and backgrounds are united in their support of the Israel message.

Robert Dick from Ballymena and

Martin Lightfoot from Headquarters were the first speakers in May followed by Robert Phillips and Clifford Smyth in September. Michael Clark and David Aimer were the final speakers of the year in November. The November meeting came at a critical time for the nation as the 'Brexit' negotiations were reaching a climax. Nelson McCausland gave an update of the political situation at the beginning of the meeting and Anne Smyth spoke about some new important findings about the anti-Christian nature of the European Union before Michael

Clark spoke. He gave a message of encouragement that we are in the Lord's Hands and His salvation is sure. Finally there was a time of prayer for the nation so that all these concerns could be brought before the Lord.

### Wigan Rally

The North-West area continues to hold its Rally in Wigan on Good Friday as it has done for many years. This year the speakers were David Aimer and Alfred Brown. The fellowship over lunch was much enjoyed by all.



# OBITUARY

## **Michael Swaffer Jarvis** **27 June 1931 – 13 August 2018**

"I knew Michael for some fifty years – I knew his father as well. It is my great privilege as President of BIWF and on behalf of the Board of Management to offer this tribute to Michael for all the faithful years he gave to the work of the Federation as South-East and South Area Organiser. It was truly outstanding – not forgetting of course all the work he put in together with his dear wife Muriel as well.

We have been hugely in his debt as an organisation and it will not be forgotten as we seek to increase awareness of our teaching among the next generation – this being the Elijah message, turning the hearts of the children to the fathers.

Both Michael and Muriel spent many years duplicating the lectures at the Summer Conventions and he continued to record every lecture right up to the last one at Buxton in late July this year. At age 87 he once again brought along part of his fascinating collection of significant British coins which was a great interest of his and much enjoyed by friends this July as at previous gatherings. My wife Philippa and I have just moved very near to the Royal Mint at Llantrisant in South Wales and it was our hope, expressed to Michael as we wished him goodbye in July, that he could be our guest and go on the conducted visitors' tour of it.

As Chairman of our Covenant Publishing Company, I can also say how fortunate we were that in recent years Michael wrote three very valuable study books for us entitled: *Revelation Unlocked*, *Daniel*

*Unlocked* and *Hosea: The Prophet for Our Days*. These titles I'm sure will remain as popular sellers for a long while to come.

Michael Jarvis will always be remembered by all his BI friends as a very warm and exceptionally kind gentleman who enjoyed sharing his deep scriptural knowledge with everyone. He is going to be greatly missed by our members at our centenary celebration gatherings next year – which I learnt only this morning will also be the centenary of British Airways. On the great runway of life Michael reached his 'take off' point on 13 August. He was and now is a 'high flyer' looking forward to the Day of Resurrection. In his name (and with myself) we can point to *Daniel* 12:1 when Michael the archangel will stand up at a time of great trouble and when many that are in the dust of the earth shall awake. This is our great hope today."

**Michael A Clark**

**As given at Michael Jarvis' funeral  
on 7 September 2018**

There were many other tributes and memories of Michael Jarvis at his funeral:



From **Rev Ben Davies:**

"I first met Michael the evening I and my newlywed wife arrived in Bracknell on 13 September 1964. I was to be the Baptist minister at Bracknell Baptist Church. It was arranged if our furniture had not arrived we would be staying with a Michael and Muriel Jarvis and their 3 small children. The furniture had not arrived; we duly stayed with the Jarvis's. A friendship ensued which was never broken in spirit, even though their move back to St. Michael's Tenterden meant we saw them less often.

Michael was a deacon, sane, spiritual, supportive, somewhat eccentric, which I loved. I thank God for him. He was good, godly, loyal, kind, provocative and loving. I needed all these attributes in a deacon. Michael was my type of man!"

From **Barbara Lunn** who conducted the funeral service:

"Those of us who had taken time to be with Mike for any length of time, will no doubt have heard many of these anecdotes before, but they bear repeating. One of Mike's earliest recollections was the day of prayer set aside by King George VI during the Second World War. He remembered the long line of people waiting to get in to St Mildred's in Tenterden, and they all had an allotted 20 minutes in which to respond to the said prayers before the next lot were being ushered in. He does not remember the prayers or the sense of occasion, just the time he could spend looking round at all the people, and being amazed at how many there were.

He was too young to enter the fray during the Second World War but

did do his military service out in Egypt where he used his skills as a watch and clockmaker to create a skeleton clock out of brass.

After his marriage to Muriel, he lived for a time in Welwyn Garden City and became a jack of all trades, landing a job in a high class store preparing tobacco for gentlemen, in the days when their mixture was a 'secret.' It was here that well-dressed gentlemen would enter and ask for a pound of their mixture and they would hand over a card on which was a number. That number referred to a name in a large tome and the mixture was revealed. One day the gentlemen concerned turned out to be King Olaf of Norway.

On another occasion he was enjoying a stroll at lunch time intending to browse in a book room at 6 Buckingham Gate [Headquarters of BIWF], when he was told, 'Oh, Mr Jarvis I'm so sorry but you can't come in,' and was sent around the back to wait. The Queen Mother had decided that very day to visit the same book room, and so Mike had to wait his turn to give her some privacy.

When the children were small they moved to Bracknell and Mike went to work for British Aerospace assisting in the design of the cockpit for the new Concorde; his precision work was needed to create the overall plan for the many dials. You can see how intricate this work was if you visit Duxford. He loved working there and being with his children; and the family would often be increased to include the children they fostered, both here and later in St Michael's.

As his father grew frailer, the family

returned to Kent to St Michael's and here Mike used a back room as a work shop and took in watches and clocks for repair. He also kept bees and had many hives in the garden. He and his father would collect the honey and place in containers with the idea that some could be sold at the gate, however it transpired that this venture was doomed as Mike and his father would often consume most of the stock themselves, Mike even tried a spoonful of the pollen each morning, if it was good enough for the bees, well!

Being a clockmaker in the days of new watches meant he was not too busy so he became a caretaker at Tenterden Primary School, a maintenance man at Kent Chemicals, and a maker of precision grinders at Cranden Diamonds Products in Benenden.

Barbara remembers helping her dad to lay the kitchen floor with lino tiles and he helped her to make her first dress. Truly a man of many talents, which extended to music, as the whole family learned instruments and made music together.

His last move was to Unicorn Lodge and on retirement loved to spend time with David, building a model railway to go round his large garden, using it mainly as a transporter of logs from the wood to the home. Grandson Daniel has developed a passion for this work and he and Grandad would spend time together at the weekends using the tools in the shed to create parts for the engines and track.

A more recent event was in 2013 when son Philip was one of the trumpeters at Westminster Abbey

at a special service for the present Queen, and although he was only visible for seconds on the TV it was a moment to savour.

Mike owned a large library of books which he would lend out to anyone who shared his interests and I spent many a treasured hour in his company. We would discuss everything and anything and I valued his knowledge of the Bible and recommendations for further study.

We will all miss him in our own way, and we will all treasure these memories, and be grateful that we shared a part of our lives with him, may he rest in peace."

From **Rev Robert Phillips** on behalf of the Covenant People's Fellowship:

"It was a privilege to have known Michael. I met him and his wife Muriel at various Conferences. He was certainly a gifted Bible teacher, with a good understanding of Bible Prophecy. On a chapter by chapter basis, he made complex scriptures easy to understand.

He was a real Christian, and was devoted to the Good News of Jesus Christ, and especially the Biblical Israel view, that the dispersed tribes of Israel, as distinct from the Jews, were located in Great Britain, and among the related peoples of Europe, the Commonwealth, and the United States of America.

Mike was always interesting to talk to. He was not a person to gossip or find fault. He was very genuine, and a true friend. He has gone on to his reward."

# OBITUARY

**Stephanie Lear,  
5 March 1923 – 4 May 2018**

Stephanie Lear was a good friend and regular contact of mine for many years. Her phone calls with questions and comments were very stimulating and helpful with different trains of thought to pursue. I enjoyed visiting her at home with the beautiful view of the sea from her upper sitting room window.

She was a long-standing member of BIWF and a faithful attendee at Summer Conventions and at Annual Congresses. She was always studying the Bible and British-Israel writings and retained a lively interest in everything that was going on. In later years her physical health prevented her from travelling and joining in actively as she had done previously.

She was born and grew up in Bournemouth. Her mother introduced her to the Israel message and they continued in their beliefs together. Whilst growing up there, she became proficient in tap dancing and was involved in quite a few minor public performances. During the war years, and after the unfortunate demise of her brother, she participated in work to aid the war effort.

In 1947 she and her mother moved

into a large property in Clevedon where they had enjoyed several holidays. Stephanie worked firstly at a local newspaper and then in a solicitor's office.

She was also a member of the Prayer Book Society and supported other BI organisations too. She passed away after suffering a fall in her home, and was buried on 6 June 2018 next to her beloved mother and brother in Wimborne Road Cemetery, Bournemouth, after a short service.



Let us give thanks for her long life of faithful witness. She will be sadly missed by all those who knew her over the years and with whom she enjoyed a deep and enduring fellowship.

**Michael A Clark**  
**Acknowledgment to**  
**Alan and Jackie Edwards**

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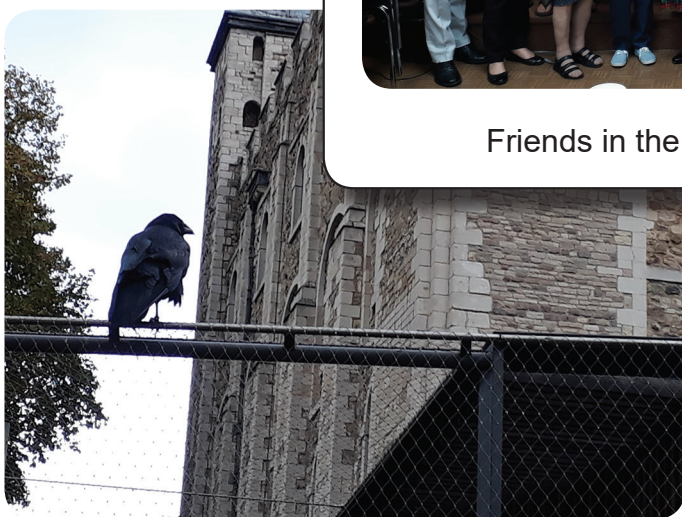
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Ready and waiting . . . . .



Friends in the Great Dominion



The ravens are still in the Tower of London



The Eastgate Clock in Chester  
- blue sky after the storm

## DID YOU KNOW?

The universal joint was invented by Robert Hooker in 1676 for an optical instrument that could be used to study the sun safely.

The skin of a shark or dogfish was used by cabinet makers to smooth the surfaces of their most delicate work.

Practically every banana consumed in the western world is directly descended from the Cavendish banana grown in the Chatsworth estate's hothouse 180 years ago.

Mary Anderson of Alabama came up with the idea of a wiper for her car windscreen and patented it in 1905.

## Thanks

We would like to thank everybody for his or her contributions this past year. All the organizing of meetings and conferences and all the kind donations, letters and prayers are truly appreciated.

## A Form of Bequest to incorporate in Will

To those who may be desirous of assisting the Federation by way of legacies, the following Form of Bequest is recommended to be incorporated in your Will.

I give and bequeath to: **The British-Israel-World Federation**  
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121 Low Etherley, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 0HA, the sum of £\_\_\_\_\_ sterling, free of Inheritance Tax, to be paid to the Financial Secretary, for the time being, of the Federation, whose receipt shall be a sufficient discharge for such legacy.

N.B. A legacy need not necessarily be in money; any property may now be given by Will for Charitable purposes.

## Donations

For all those who would like to give a portion of their tithe, big or small, as a donation to the Federation; all cheques, order or bank drafts (in sterling for overseas donations) can be made payable to BIWF, and sent to Headquarters at Low Etherley.

Please indicate if you are a UK tax payer so that we can claim the Gift Aid portion from the Inland Revenue.

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